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IN RE APPLN. OF: LAURENCE S. BLAKE ET AL.
APPLICATION NO. 10/807,085
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FOR: APPARATUS FOR LOADING AND UNLOADING A SUPPLY OF
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For: Apparatus for Loading and Unloading a Supply of Plates in an Automated Plate Handler

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a response to an office action in the subject application.

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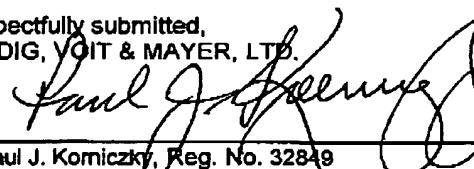
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REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated July 12, 2005, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 11 of this paper.

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